

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts  
Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen**

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

April 26, 2007, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

1. Roll Call    Call of the Roll.
2. Minutes    Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March  
Approval    22, 2007.

**CITATIONS**

3. Citation    By Ald. Trane and the Entire Board, Commending Janice Delory, who is resigning after 3+ years of distinguished service as the Mayor's Chief of Staff.
4. Citation    By Ald. Heuston, O'Donovan, Gewirtz and the Entire Board, Commending Victor and Rosa Moccia, owners of Victor's Meat and Deli, as they celebrate their 25<sup>th</sup> year of friendly and tasty service to the city in Ball Sq.
5. Citation    By Ald. Roche, Sullivan, Heuston, O'Donovan. Trane, Desmond and the Entire Board, Commending the dedicated efforts of the Billy's Kids Learn to Skate Program volunteers, including organizers Rob Reilly and Debby McEvoy, and instructors Bobby McEvoy, Ryan McEvoy, Scott Erb, Bill Weiland, Cam Lynch, Jason Kenney, Michael Dwyer, Lorin Desrochers, Normand Desrochers, Tommy Simas, Sean Simas, Michael Shamshak, Matt McGlashing, Cole Evans, Shawn O'Brien, Mike Sampson, Alexis Fitzpatrick, Colin Walsh, Brian Walsh, RJ Guardia, and Jack Clark, who have together taught hundreds of children the joy of ice skating and hockey.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

6. Grant of    NStar Electric for a grant of location to install 10 feet of  
Location    conduit in Willow Ave.
7. Grant of    Verizon for a grant of location to install 6 feet of conduit in  
Location    Willow Ave.

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS**  
**AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

8.      Order      By Ald. Trane, That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol in the Tufts area to deal with rowdy behavior.
  
9.      Order      By Ald. Trane, That the Chief of Police perform speed enforcement on Alewife Brook Pkwy. at the Dilboy Pool and High St.
  
10.     Order      By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works inform the Ward 7 Alderman of the plan to replace the trees that were knocked down by a car along Broadway, at Alewife Brook Pkwy.
  
11.     Order      By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works meet with the Ward 7 Alderman to walk along Alewife Brook Pkwy. with a representative of DCR to try to facilitate sidewalk and other repairs.
  
12.     Ordinance   By Ald. Trane, Proposing a change to the taxi ordinance to offer 2 new medallions for hybrid or alternative fuel vehicles.
  
13.     Order      By Ald. Trane and White, That the City Solicitor update this Board on the litigation regarding the MBTA's placement of billboards and its disregard of local zoning.
  
14.     Order      By Ald. Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the base of the HP sign at 15 Minnesota Ave.
  
15.     Order      By Ald. Roche, That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a NO PARKING FROM HERE TO CORNER sign on Chester Ave. near Cross St. so fire or other emergency apparatus can make a right turn from Cross St.
  
16.     Resolution   By Ald. Roche, That the Condominium Review Board consider only allowing conversions to applicants that agree to mandate that satellite dishes can only be mounted in the rear of their building out of view of pedestrian and vehicular traffic.
  
17.     Order      By Ald. Roche, That the City Solicitor work with the Legislative Matters Committee to create an ordinance mandating specific locations of satellite dish installations to the rear of the building, out of the public's view, as long as the customer has an acceptable signal that does not impair reception and complies with FCC regulations.

18. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Chief of Police and the Director of SPCD investigate 25 Kensington Ave. for overcrowding and illegal apartments.
19. Order By Ald. Roche, That Commissioner of Public Works repair the hole in the gutter at 5 Brook St.
20. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Director of Traffic and Parking place signage on Cutter St. to remind drivers to Go Slow when school is in session.
21. Order By Ald. Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sand in Harris Park.
22. Ordinance By Ald. Desmond, That the 48 hour time limit for parked cars be increased to 72 hours and that a mechanism be incorporated to allow for exceptions by the Traffic and Parking Dept. for up to 7 days.
23. Order By Ald. Desmond, Heuston and Trane, That a moratorium be imposed on granting used car dealer licenses where the internet is used for sales, until comments are received from the Attorney General and the MA Used Car Dealers Assn.
24. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalks at 124-126 Hudson St. by replacing the asphalt with cement.
25. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Chief of Police place speed boards on Lowell St. between Highland Ave. and Medford St., and on Cedar St. between Highland Ave. and Broadway, and report back to the Ward 5 Alderman.
26. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol to the Magoun Sq. parking lot to protect abutting residential yards from illegal activity.
27. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Director of SPCD appear before this Board to explain the lack of upkeep at the Magoun Sq. parking lot leased by CVS.
28. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Director of SPCD inspect the damaged sidewalks at the corner of Trull and Medford Sts. to determine if the contractor/owner caused the damage.
29. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works plant a tree at 29 Warwick St.
30. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the tree at 40 Warwick St. as it is creating an unsafe condition.

31.     Order       By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works check for a possible water leak at the corner of Summer and Cedar Sts.
  
32.     Order       By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works explain the progress the city is making against last year's street contractor.
  
33.     Order       By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works resurface Parker Place and Newman Place.
  
34.     Order       By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Chief of Police assign an officer to enforce the leash law on the bike path between Lexington Park and Willow Ave. between 6-8 AM and 4:30-6 PM, and report back to this Board with enforcement results before the next Board meeting. (2nd request)
  
35.     Order       By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works explain the plan to rectify the flooding issues at Gussie Terrace and Linden Ave.
  
36.     Order       By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the temporary sidewalk at 40 Warwick St.
  
37.     Resolution By Ald. Sullivan and the Entire Board, That the Administration request of the MWRA a comparative study of water and sewer rates in surrounding municipalities.
  
38.     Order       By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of SPCD and the City Assessor provide this Board with the boundaries of DCR property at Conway Park and the Veteran's Memorial Rink, to determine jurisdiction for enforcement issues.
  
39.     Order       By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of SPCD dispatch the Neighborhood Impact Team to inspect 18 School St. for code violations.
  
40.     Order       By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works meet with the Ward 2 Alderman to determine locations for additional trees on Houghton St.
  
41.     Order       By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of SPCD direct the owner of 515 Somerville Ave. to remove the graffiti there.
  
42.     Ordinance   by Ald. Heuston and Taylor, Proposing an amendment to the Zoning Ordinances by establishing a PUD-C Zoning Overlay District and a Union Square Arts Overlay District, with facilitation by miscellaneous city-wide amendments.

- 43. Resolution By Ald. Heuston and Taylor, That the Mayor, in consultation with the Ward 2 and 3 Aldermen, establish a Union Sq. Development Review Committee, in order to provide review for development projects that would come under proposed PUDC, PUDC1 and Arts Overlay zones.
- 44. Order By Ald. White, That the Condominium Review Board provide this Board with the number of removal permits issued in the first 4 months of 2007, 2006, and 2005.
- 45. Order By Ald. White and Pero, That the Commissioner of Public Works determine whether any repairs should be made to the sidewalks at 390 Broadway and whether any private contractor may be required to perform them.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

#### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

- 46. Committee Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, April 17.
- 47. Committee Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, April 17.
- 48. Committee Report of the Committee on Public Health & Public Safety, April 18.
- 49. Committee Report of the Committee on Land Use, April 19.
- 50. Committee Report of the Committee on Public Health & Public Safety, April 19.
- 51. Committee Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, April 24.
- 52. Committee Report of the Committee on Finance, April 25.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

- 53. Mayor's Request Requesting authorization to complete the acquisition of land owned by Somerville Hospital at 112 Central St., dedicate a portion as Article 97 Open Space, and accept an \$8,000 donation from Ground Works Somerville for the project.

54. Mayor's Request Requesting authorization of the Dilboy Stadium Revolving Fund for FY07 under the provisions of MGL c.44 s.53E½.
55. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to transfer \$9,500 from the SPCD Salaries Acct. to its Professional & Technical Services Acct., to fund an intern and computer software/supplies.
56. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to transfer \$5,000 from the ISD Salaries Acct. to the SPCD Professional & Technical Services Acct. to fund a parks inventory.
57. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to transfer \$5,000 from the Condominium Review Board's Salaries Acct. to the Planning Dept. Professional & Technical Services Acct. to fund an intern.
58. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to transfer \$3,500 from the Condominium Review Board's Salaries Acct. to the Historic Preservation Dept. Professional & Technical Services Acct. to fund an intern.
59. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a \$15,800 grant from the MA Executive Office of Public Safety for the Fire Dept. to purchase firefighting equipment.
60. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to spend a \$15,000 three year grant from the Cambridge Health Alliance for the Health Dept.'s Somerville Cares About Prevention program.
61. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a grant of \$2,000 from DCR for trees as part of the State Arbor Day Celebration.
62. Mayor's Request Requesting approval to expend a grant of unknown value of strength training equipment from Tufts for the Police Dept.
63. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Craig Fletcher to the Commission for Persons with Disabilities.
64. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Joe Medeiros to the Commission for Persons with Disabilities.
65. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of John Ciampa to the Commission for Persons with Disabilities.
66. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Al Rubio to the Commission for Persons with Disabilities.
67. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of William Vienneau to the Commission for Persons with Disabilities.

- 68. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Eileen Feldman to the Commission for Persons with Disabilities.
- 69. Mayor's Comm. Proclaiming May 2, 2007, as "Law Day 2007".

### **COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

- 70. Officer's Request Board of Election Chairman submitting 3 proposed Election Calendars for the 2007 Fall Municipal Elections.
- 71. Officer's Comm. Assistant City Solicitor responding to #182901 re: Licensing Commission and BOA authority for extended hours of operation.
- 72. Officer's Comm. Director of SPCD responding to various Board Orders.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 73. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, DARBI Informational Table for spring cleanup, Davis Sq. Statue Park, April 28, 10-Noon.
- 74. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Dahn Holistic Fitness Martial Arts Demonstration, Davis Sq. Statue Park, April 28, 1-3PM (raindate May 26).
- 75. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Little League Opening Day Parade, High School to Conway Park, April 29, 12-1PM.
- 76. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Somerville Community Growing Center Calendar of Events for 2007, 22 Vinal Ave., Various dates and times, May-Oct.
- 77. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, High School Crew Ergathon (Rowathon), Davis Sq. Statue Park, May 5, 9-5PM.
- 78. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Somerville Allied Veterans Council Canning Drive, various city locations, May 5-6, 12-13, 19-20, 10AM-2PM.
- 79. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Somerville Allied Veterans Council "Support our Troops" Rally, Davis Sq. Statue Park, May 19, 11AM-1PM.
- 80. Kennel New Kennel License, Dale Geary, 50 Boston Ave., 6 dogs.
- 81. Drainlayer Renewal of Drain Layer's License, G. Federico and Sons.

82. Drainlayer Renewal of Drain Layer's License, Caruso Corp.
83. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Trustees of Tufts University, 37 Latin Way, 20,000 gallons.
84. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Trustees of Tufts University, 61 Talbot Ave., 20,000 gallons.
85. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Elias & Abe Auto Repair Inc., 254-258 Broadway, 27,045 gallons.
86. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Hess, 709 McGrath Hwy., 45,550 gallons.
87. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Winter Hill Yacht Club, 130R Foley St., 7,000 gallons.
88. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Dewire Family Trust, 109-387 Washington St., 3,500 gallons.
89. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Cumberland Farms Inc., 701-709 Somerville Ave., 25,000 gallons.
90. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Pete's Boy's Inc., 229R Lowell St., 9,800 gallons.
91. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, U-Haul Company of Boston, 600 Mystic Ave., 14,000 gallons.
92. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Broadway Brake Corp., 25-45 Broadway, 8,600 gallons.
93. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Burton F. Faulkner Towers, 25-27 Highland Ave., 10,000 gallons.
94. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, MIK MEG Corp., 57 Warren St., 18,000 gallons.
95. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Sunoco Service Station, 434-450 McGrath Hwy., 33,380 gallons.
96. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Beacon Sales Co., 50 Webster Ave., 6,630 gallons.
97. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, U-Haul Co. of Boston, 151 Linwood St., 2,280 gallons.
98. Flammable Renewal of Flammable License, Frank & Ed's Inc., 483 Somerville Ave., 7,420 gallons.



99. Garage New Garage License, John's Auto Sales dba PJ's Auto Sales, 161 Broadway, Repairs, washing vehicles and storing unregistered vehicles, 69 autos, M-F 8-8, Sa 8-5, Su 10-4.
100. Garage (2006) Renewal of Garage License, Goodyear Auto Service Center, 1 Bow St., 6 autos.
101. Garage (2006) Renewal of Garage License, Webster Auto Body Co., 64 Webster Ave., 25 autos.
102. Garage (2006) Renewal of Garage License, Service Auto Body Inc., 69 Webster Ave., 11 autos.
103. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Jim's Heavy Duty Service, 40-42 Joy St., 7 autos.
104. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Gene Automotive Repair, 56 Joy St., 13 autos.
105. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 139-147 Beacon St., 31 autos.
106. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 109-387 Washington St., 80 autos.
107. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 381-383 Washington St., 33 autos.
108. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Pete's Boy's Inc., 229R Lowell St., 10 autos.
109. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Pete's Boy's Inc., 229R Lowell St., 50 autos.
110. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Aris Autos Inc., 675 Somerville Ave., 11 autos.
111. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Service Auto Body Inc., 69 Webster Ave., 11 autos.
112. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Webster Auto Body Co., 64 Webster Ave., 25 autos.
113. Garage Renewal of Garage License, Broadway Brake Corp., 25-45 Broadway, 30 autos.
114. Garage Renewal of Garage License, ABJ Foreign Auto Supply, 91 Marshall St., 30 autos.

- 115.    Garage      Renewal of Garage License, Krisco Corp. dba MAACO  
Auto Painting, 444 Somerville Ave., 75 Autos.
- 116.    Garage      Renewal of Garage License, E-Z Auto Body, 627  
Somerville Ave., 33 autos.
- 117.    Garage      Renewal of Garage License, Alex Auto Body Inc., 75  
Washington St., 8 autos.
- 118.    Garage      Renewal of Garage License, Walnut Hill Auto Body Inc.,  
235 Lowell St., 10 autos.
- 119.    Garage      Renewal of Garage License, Cataldo Ambulance Service, 4  
Joy St., 10 autos.
- 120.    Garage      Renewal of Garage License, U-Haul Co. of Boston Inc.,  
151 Linwood St., 60 autos.
- 121.    Garage      Renewal of Garage License, Frank & Ed's Inc., 483  
Somerville Ave., 3 autos.
- 122.    Garage      Renewal of Garage License, Union Sq. Auto Inc., 13B Joy  
St., 6 autos.
- 123.    Garage      Renewal of Garage License, Beacon Sales Co., 50 Webster  
Ave., 8 autos.
- 124.    Garage      Renewal of Garage License, Foreign Body Works, Inc., 593  
Somerville Ave., 10 autos.
- 125.    Billiards      Renewal of Billiard/Pool Table & Bowling Alley License,  
Diesel Café, Inc. 2 Pool Tables.
- 126.    Extended      Renewal of Extended Retail Hours Permit, Pizza Ventures  
Retail Hrs      dba Papa Johns, 622 Somerville Ave., M-W 10-Midnight,  
Th 10-1AM, F & Sa 10AM-3AM.
- 127.    Junk            Renewal of Junk Dealer License, Prospect Iron & Steel, 40  
Dealer          Bennett St.
- 128.    Used Car        New Used Car Dealers License Class II, G E & M Auto  
Service dba Parkway Sunoco, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy, 10  
autos.
- 129.    Taxi Med        Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Honey Cab, Med. #82.
- 130.    Taxi Med        Renewal of Taxi Medallion, TR Cab, Med. #2.
- 131.    Taxi Med        Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Country Club Transportation,  
Med. #3, #4, #5 & #46.

- 132. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Lee Taxi, Med. #7, #8, #9, #10, #11, #12 & #13.
- 133. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, ZH Inc., Med. #14 & #16.
- 134. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Lochmere Taxi Inc., Med. #21, #22, #23, #24, #25, #79 & #91.
- 135. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Somerville Yellow Cab, Med. # 33, #34, #35, #36, #37 & #38.
- 136. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Stone Transportation, Med. #28, #30, #31 & #32.
- 137. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Mt. Pleasant Taxi, Med. #39, #40, #41, #42, #43, & # 72.
- 138. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Cinema Taxi, Med. #44, #85 & #47.
- 139. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Sullivan Square Cab, Med. #53 & #54.
- 140. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Ike Inc., Med. #58, #61, #81 & #92.
- 141. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Loch Ness Taxi, Med. #67 & #68.
- 142. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Halligan Corp., Med. #63.
- 143. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Madkep Transportation Inc., Med. #64.
- 144. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Artie's Taxi Inc., Med. #57.
- 145. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, King's Transportation Co., Med. #70.
- 146. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Marian Cab Inc., Med. #55.
- 147. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Michael Cab Inc., Med. #88.
- 148. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Yung Cab Inc., Med. #15.
- 149. Taxi Med Renewal of Taxi Medallion, Silva Cab Inc., Med. #83.

**LATE ITEMS**

